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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/788,443
Filing Date	February 21, 2001
First Named Inventor	Yoshiyuki Suda
Group Art Unit	2832
Examiner Name	L. Donovan
Attorney Docket Number	018842.1163

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 21, 2002
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
iii. ☐ Other _____
b. ☒ Enclosed
i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103 for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(i) required.)
b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____
i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **10/17/2002 RCE FEE 00000095 09788443**
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iii. ☐ Other **740.00**
b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 740.00 enclosed
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Name (Print/Type)	Timothy J. Churna	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	48,340
Signature		Date	October 15, 2002

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

[BOX PATENT APPLICATION]

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FEE CALCULATION

1. **BASIC FILING FEE** ☒ Large Entity ☐ Small Entity

	<u>Fee Paid</u>
Utility Filing Fee	\$
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Reissue Filing Fee	\$
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First Named Inventor	Yoshiyuki SUDA
Examiner Name	L. DONOVAN
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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Description	Fee Paid
<input type="checkbox"/> Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	\$
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<input type="checkbox"/> Petitions Related to Provisional Applications	\$
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2. EXTRA CLAIMS FEES

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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TOTAL CLAIMS		20	0	x \$ 18.00	x \$ 9.00	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS		3	0	x \$ 84.00	x \$ 42.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				\$ 280.00	\$ 140.00	\$0.00
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